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Re: 2021 Law Day Student Art, Poetry and Essay Contest

Dear Teachers and Students,

In recognition of Law Day 2021, the Superior Court of New Jersey, Monmouth Vicinage invites your students to participate in our annual Law Day Art, Poetry and Essay contest. The contest allows students to demonstrate their creativity and talents while taking part in a celebration of our nation's laws.

The American Bar Association has selected "*Advancing the Rule of Law, Now*" as this year's Law Day theme. In selecting this year's theme, the ABA has explained:

"The rule of law is the bedrock of American rights and liberties—in times of calm and unrest alike. The 2021 Law Day theme—Advancing the Rule of Law, Now—reminds all of us that we the people share the responsibility to promote the rule of law, defend liberty, and pursue justice.

www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/law-day/

Please circulate these posters among students who live in Monmouth County or among students who attend a school located in Monmouth County. Student essays, poetry and artwork will be judged on originality, clarity and organization, and representation of the theme. Students can submit entries directly, or through their teachers. Entries should be submitted no later than April 23, 2021. All entries must be submitted electronically – no mailed entries will be accepted.

All contest entries are to be emailed to: MonLawDay.Mailbox@njcourts.gov. Please feel free to contact me at (732) 358-8700 x87251 if you have any questions regarding the Art, Poetry and Essay Contest. The top 10 students in the poetry/song categories will be invited to perform in a virtual Poetry Slam.

Monmouth Vicinage looks forward to partnering with your school to encourage student participation in this rewarding learning experience.

Sincerely,

Rebekah Heilman, Ombudsman